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Senator Dan DeBiccari  
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RE: HB 6266 - An Act Concerning the Practice of Acupuncture

Dear Senator DeBiccari:

I'm a resident in your district and a Connecticut state Licensed Acupuncturist by trade, which supports my family here in Stratford.

I'm writing to ask you to support House Bill 6266 - An Act Concerning the Practice of Acupuncture, which has been raised by the Public Health Committee.

HB 6266 provides Title Protection to acupuncturists in our state. This title protection is an important way to inform and protect health care consumers, and identify the unique credentials of providers with a Connecticut acupuncture license.

[a] It helps consumers find practitioners who are licensed acupuncturists, trained under nationally-recognized accreditation standards in the modality of acupuncture and oriental medicine.

[b] It helps patients understand the credentials of the practitioners who are treating them.

[c] It provides an equitable recognition to state-licensed acupuncturists, like myself, giving them the same kind of professional title protection that virtually all other Connecticut health professionals enjoy.

We all want the best possible care for ourselves and our families. By supporting this bill you will be giving families throughout Connecticut the ability to make an informed decision on their health care needs while helping state Licensed Acupuncturists earn a living to support their growing families.

Thank you for your consideration.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,



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Cc: Senator Jonathan Harris and Representative Elizabeth Ritter  
co-chairs, Public Health Committee